



TCDD Vaccine Stipend: Potential Activities

By engaging in audience research, providing educational information through grassroots outreach and communications, working closely with medical professionals and vaccine clinic providers, and providing direct support and guidance for people who need assistance, TCDD aims to inspire more people with IDD to get the COVID-19 vaccine and to create a more accessible and inclusive vaccination experience. These activities apply to first, second, and booster shots if needed.

Below are some examples of activities that may be included as part of this stipend. Additional innovative ideas are encouraged.

- Host a pop-up vaccine clinic and resource fair in your community. Provide drive thru and options for homebound residents.
- Arrange transportation services or pay volunteers to drive interested individuals to pharmacies and other locations to receive shots
- Host a meet-and-greet potluck with a local doctor or health care provider to answer questions and discuss vaccines
- Create a sensory-friendly vaccine clinic with staff trained to work with individuals with developmental disabilities
- Create an outreach campaign to increase education around the COVID-19 vaccine (could include grassroots outreach, public service announcements, distributing flyers and posters to local community centers, faith-based groups, and restaurants, billboards in rural areas, and more)
- Offer community-based or financial incentives for those who receive a vaccine
- Work with paratransit, local emergency management, and fire and rescue entities to provide in-home vaccinations
- Offer sign language interpretation and other translation of educational materials and events
- Share and promote information about local vaccination clinics and compile local resources such as accessible transportation, in-person support, and assistance in making appointments for a vaccine
- Collect and share stories of self-advocates and family members who have received a vaccine through a video or social media campaign, community project, or with the press through media relations
- Identify peer leaders (self-advocates, family members) to share their story in their local community by meeting people where they are. Peer leaders may be eligible for paid wages.
- Engage in individual conversations with unvaccinated to better understand hesitancy and concerns and share findings with other community groups and the media.

Organizations can apply for more than one stipend based on their proposed activities through September 30, 2022. TCDD can help connect organizations with health department resources to provide vaccination shots.